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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE KISSINGER-GARBA LETTER

REF: STATE 091375 LAGOS 4593

1. SOME OF THE THEMES IN FOLLOWING PROPOSED TEXT MAY BE APPROPRIATE IN EVENT SECRETARY SHOULD WISH SEND GARBA CONGRATULATORY LETTER AS SUGGESTED REFTEL. WE BELIEVE A LETTER ALONG THESE GENERAL LINES WOULD BE USEFUL.

2. QUOTE: HAVING FAILED IN SPITE OF ARDUOUS EFFORT TO ADVANCE BEYOND CAPTAIN DURING MY BRIEF MILITARY CAREER SOME YEARS AGO, I AM ALL THE MORE IMPRESSED BY YOUR RECENT PROMOTION TO RANK OF BRIGADIER. I SEND YOU MY WARM CONGRATULATIONS. I SHOULD HAVE WISHED TO CONVEY THEM TO YOU IN PERSON DURING MY UPCOMING AFRICAN TRIP, BUT I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE REASONS FOR DEFERRING A VISIT TO NIGERIA UNTIL A MORE CONVENIENT TIME.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY OF EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH YOU AT THE UNCTAD IV MEETING IN NAIROBI EARLY NEXT MONTH. CHUCK ROBINSON WILL BE WITH ME THERE AND WILL BE PLEASED TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE DATES FOR HIS VISIT TO LAGOS.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF MARCH 16. AS AMBASSADOR

SANU WILL HAVE TOLD YOU, WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER TO PROVIDE
YOU WITH THE INFORMATION YOU HAVE REQUESTED.

WITH BEST PERSONAL REGARDS,
UNQUOTE.

3. REFERENCE TO EXCHANGE OF VIEWS IN NAIROBI WOULD BE ADJUSTED
TO FIT WHATEVER WE FIND OUT
REGARDING MAKE-UP OF NIGERIAN DELEGATION.

4. LETTER OF MARCH 16 CONCERNED LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT ACTIVITIES
IN NIGERIA.

5. WE RECOMMEND LETTER BE CABLED TO GARBA VIA COMMERCIAL MEANS,
WITH COPY TO THIS EMBASSY AND SIGNED ORIGINAL TO AMBASSADOR SANU.
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